

# Parish Announcements - Sunday, March 10, 2024

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<b>Schedule of Liturgical Services &amp; Activities</b>	
TODAY - March 10	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Church School & Fellowship 12:30p Inquiring Minds
Wednesday, March 13	6:00p Vespers
Friday, March 15	9:30a Bible Study & Homeschool Co-op 5:30p Antiochian Women Fellowship
Saturday, March 16	3:30p OCLife Educational Gathering 5:00p Great Vespers
Sunday, March 17	9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy followed by Fellowship (Parish Potluck) 12:30p Forgiveness Vespers

## Weekly Offering during the Divine Liturgy

Each Sunday during the Divine Liturgy, we pass baskets as an opportunity for ALL those present to support the ministry offered by our parish community. To contribute electronically via PayPal, please access the QR Code. Many thanks!



## Psalter Reading Group - Great Lent 2024

If you're looking for a daily spiritual discipline this upcoming Lenten season, consider participating in our Psalter Reading Group. Each day during Great Lent (March 18-April 26), you will be assigned a small section of reading from the Book of Psalms (Psalter). It only takes about 10-15 minutes each day to read on your own. To sign up and participate, simply submit form via QR code. Any questions, contact Fr. Paul Fuller ([frpaul.fuller@gmail.com](mailto:frpaul.fuller@gmail.com)).



## Inquiring Minds - TODAY, Sunday, March 10

Join us for Inquiring Minds, our monthly Adult Education Class following Fellowship (approx. 12:30p) for a Q&A session with Fr. Paul. OPEN to ALL, but "required" for inquirers and catechumens!

## Lecture Series - Fridays during Great Lent

We will be offering a Lenten Lecture Series on the "Story of Orthodox Christians in North America" on Friday evenings after Akathist at 6:00p during Great Lent.

## Antiochian Women Fellowship - Friday, March 15

Join us on **March 15th at 5:30 p.m.** in the church for our monthly fellowship event to celebrate Antiochian Women's Month and Cheesefare! We will watch a beautiful documentary on the Antiochian Women and learn more about our organization. We will also be collecting items for the OC Life drive. Details of items needed will be sent via email. As always, we will be offering a light dinner, so please sign up to bring something yummy to share! We are only fasting from meat that day so dairy is allowed.

## 2024 Hosting for Fellowship on Sundays

NEW FORMAT in 2024: IN NEED of "hosts" for Fellowship on Sundays to sign up and offer "lighter" fare with 3 options available:

1. Host a Light Fellowship (individuals or families) by bringing some suggested items.
2. Sponsor a Light Fellowship for \$100 (suggested amount). With enough notice, our Hospitality Ministry members will get the food/drinks with your monetary donation.
3. Host a light meal in celebration of a special household commemoration by bringing whatever food/drinks you'd like to provide.

Fellowship suggested fare serving 80-100 people:

- \*bagels and spreads \*fruit trays \*donuts \*salads
- \*soups \*meat & cheese trays \*vegetable trays
- \*sweet or savory baked goods



### Parish Potluck for Cheesefare/Forgiveness Sunday - March 17

Last day for cheese and dairy products (already begun fasting from meat products); sign-up online via the QR code.

### OCLife Ministry - March 2024

During the month of March, our church, through our affiliation with Orthodox Christians for Life, will be joining with Orthodox parishes across the country in holding a "baby shower" to support mothers who choose life for their unborn children! This donation drive will benefit Compassion House, a local residential facility for teen mothers, and Loving Choices, a pregnancy resource center. Donation requests are:

**Loving Choices:** baby board books, pacifiers, baby bottles, new or gently used maternity clothes, crib sheets. They do have needs for larger items like high chairs, baby swings, or pack and plays if several want to join as a group to donate an item like that.

**Compassion House:** newborn clothes (both genders) and diapers.

Also inviting any who would like to participate in providing a dinner for the residents at Compassion House during the month of March, the open dates are March 4, 11, 18, 21, 25, 28. Perhaps two or three could get together to provide the meal for a total of 9 including residents and staff. They request meals be dropped between 5 and 6 PM.

Join us on **Saturday, March 16 at 3:30p**, OCLife will host an education event in which we will watch the second in a series of videos on bioethics. We had lively and enriching discussion as a result of the first video. Please plan on attending. For questions, please contact Nancy Brown, 479-616-8043, [nancyjbrown3@hotmail.com](mailto:nancyjbrown3@hotmail.com).

### Church Etiquette Reminder of the Month - "Eucharistic Fast"

It is proper to refrain (fast) from food and drink prior to receiving Holy Communion. If it is a morning Liturgy (such as on Sunday), we begin our fast from when we go to bed. If it is an evening Liturgy (such as Pre-Sanctified Liturgy during Great Lent), we should begin a fast after a light noon meal.

### Those Celebrating in March - God Grant You Many Years!

#### *Birthday*

Kevin Scherer - Mar 2  
 Riley Arnold - Mar 4  
 Jeff Jenkins - Mar 5  
 Oliver Nevill - Mar 6  
 Jackson Bliss - Mar 8  
 Brittany Fenner - Mar 13  
 Charlie Nevill - Mar 13

Evan Kolokithas - Mar 14  
 Aidan Kolokithas - Mar 18  
 Erik Lawrence - Mar 19  
 Raphael Nelson - Mar 26  
 Derek Waters - Mar 28  
 Dominic Silva - Mar 30  
 Kota Waters - Mar 30

#### *Wedding Anniversary*

Derek & Gina Waters - Mar 5  
 Zachary & Olivia Rhodes - Mar 21

#### *Name's Day*

Jason Potoski (St. David of Wales) - Mar 1  
 Pat Teague (St. Patrick of Ireland) - Mar 17  
 Evan Kolokithas (Annunciation) - Mar 25

2024	Names of Host	Commemoration
Mar 10	Manoj & Sneha Virippil	Meatfare; Last Judgement Sunday
Mar 17 (Fast)	<b>Parish Potluck</b>	Cheesefare; Forgiveness Sunday
Mar 24 (Fast)	Nancy Brown & Antiochian Women	OCLife & Antiochian Women's Month
Mar 31 (Fast)	Waters Family	Derek & Kota's Birthdays
Apr 7 (Fast)	Baclig Family	Antiochian Men's Month
Apr 14 (Fast)	<b>IN NEED OF HOST</b>	
Apr 21 (Fast)	<b>IN NEED OF HOST</b>	

**Hosts NEEDED for Fellowship on Sundays; contact Denise King ([DL0118@yahoo.com](mailto:DL0118@yahoo.com) OR 501.442.8460) to sign up.**